

We Claim:

1. A sizing algorithm for sizing a parent grayscale pixel map expressing an image having edges using a computer, before projection onto a sensitive recording surface wherein the pixels have a size R_p , comprising the steps of:
 - 5 (i) inputting the parent grayscale pixel map image with edges where an edge is defined by gray pixels having values between 1, 2, ...n, or by pixels having at least one 0-gray value (black 0-dose level) pixel neighbor;
 - (ii) calculating a grayscale correction value (g) equal to a sizing distance S parameterized by a machine constant equal to R_p divided by the number of grayscale values;
 - 10 (iii) finding and flagging edge pixels expressed within a frame of the parent pixel map; and
 - (iv) finding and flagging corner edge pixels within the frame;
 - (v) sliding a sub-matrix window within the frame, to calculate and store gradient values for each edge pixel relative to the edges within the frame;
 - (vi) looping over pixels within the frame to adjust the grayscale value of edge and corner pixels and neighboring pixels;
 - (vii) propagating new grayscale values per the grayscale correction value (g) to pixels from each adjusted edge and corner pixel within the frame in a direction normal to each edge to establish a new edge position within the frame, and
 - (viii) where the parent pixel map is composed of a plurality of frames, reassembling the frames 20 generating a daughter grayscale pixel map expressing a different size image than that expressed in the parent pixel map system which upon projection and recording, compensates for expected systemic distortions.
2. The algorithm of claim 1 where the frame is a 5X5 matrix, and the sub-matrix window is a 3X3 matrix.

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3. A sizing algorithm for downsizing a parent grayscale pixel map having pixels of size R_p and grayscale values between 0, 1, 2, ...n, expressing an image having edges with grayscale values ranging from 1, 2,...n, using a computer, before projection onto a sensitive recording surface comprising the steps of:

5 calculating a factor g equal to a desired sizing distance S divided by a machine constant K_m equal to pixel size R_p divided by the number of grayscale values;
setting

$$G'(i, j) = \text{Max}(G(i, j) - g, 0), \text{ and}$$

$$\vec{\delta}G(i, j) = |G(i, j) - g| \bullet (\nabla_x, \nabla_y)$$

looping over pixels

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{
  if( pixel ij is an edge pixel)
  {
     $\nabla(i, j)$  = estimated gradient;
    storing the value G'( i, j) of the new pixel;
    if( $\|\vec{\delta}G(i, j)\| > 0$ )
    {
      propagating vector differences to neighboring pixels along
      the gradient direction;
    }
  }
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end.
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4. A sizing algorithm for upsizing a parent grayscale pixel map having pixels of size R_p and grayscale values between 0, 1, 2, ...n, expressing an image having edges with grayscale values ranging from 1, 2,...n, using a computer, before projection onto a sensitive recording surface comprising the steps of:

5 calculating a factor g equal to a desired sizing distance S divided by a machine constant K_m equal to pixel size R_p divided by the number of grayscale values;
setting

$$G'(i, j) = \text{Min}(G(i, j) + g, gmax), \text{ and}$$

$$\bar{\delta}G(i, j) = |gmax - \{G(i, j) + g\}| \bullet (\nabla_x, \nabla_y)$$

looping over pixels

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    if( pixel ij is an edge pixel)
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         $\nabla(i, j)$  = estimated gradient;
        storing the value  $G'( i, j)$  of the new pixel;
        if( $\|\bar{\delta}G(i, j)\| > 0$ )
        {
            propagating vector differences to neighboring pixels along
            the gradient direction;
        }
    }
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end.

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5. The sizing algorithm of claim 1, or 3 or 4 wherein edge pixels are flagged by successively mapping a sub matrix array \mathbf{G} of pixel grayscale values from the parent grayscale pixel map into a an edge matrix \mathbf{E} with a Boolean procedure for counting the 0-gray value pixels and for assigning a value to each pixel of 0, 1, or 2, where 0 indicates a particular pixel is not an edge pixel, 1 indicates a particular pixel is in a class consisting of inclined edge pixels and corner pixels, and 2 indicates a particular pixel is an edge pixel.
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6. The sizing algorithm of claim 5 wherein the sub matrix array \mathbf{G} is a 3X3 matrix.
7. The sizing algorithm of claim 6 wherein diverging corner edge pixels are flagged by successively mapping each edge matrix \mathbf{E} into a Boolean I returning true if \mathbf{E} has an edge_sum equal to 5 indicating a particular edge pixel is a diverging corner edge pixel, else returning false.
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8. The sizing algorithm of claim 5 wherein new grayscale values are propagated normal to edges of the parent grayscale pixel map to new edge positions with:

- (i) a 45° rule computation operator for such edges inclined at 45° ($\pi/4$) relative to an orthogonal coordinate of the parent pixel map; and
- 5 (ii) a non- 45° rule computation operator for such edges inclined at angles other than 45° relative to an orthogonal coordinate of the parent pixel map; and
- (iii) a gray-to-neighbors computation operator for propagating gray values to pixels neighboring such edges in the direction of the gradient.